## CHAPTER 49-02-02 CLASSROOM INSTRUCTION

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**49-02-01. Hours of classroom instruction.** The required seven hundred fifty total hours of supervised instruction required under this article must include at least four hundred fifty required hours of classroom instruction as stated under section 49-02-03. "Required hours of classroom instruction" means actual hours in attendance in class under supervised instruction in the presence of an instructor, including synchronous or live remote education. Other classes may be through asynchronous remote education.

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## 49-02-02. Eligible classroom instruction.

- 1. Except as otherwise provided in this section or waived by the board for good cause, classroom instruction under this chapter must be provided by a licensed massage therapist at a recognized and approved school of massage and credit may not be given for prior educational instruction. In order to teach in North Dakota, the massage therapist must have at least three years of hands-on experience as a massage therapist, hold a current North Dakota license, and be in good standing with the board.
- 2. An instructor of anatomy, physiology, or pathology is not required to be a licensed massage therapist, but must have earned a recognized master's degree or higher, in an appropriate field of study. Instructors of first aid, hygiene, CPR, business practice, or ethics must have appropriate credentials, but need not be licensed massage therapists.
- 3. A school of massage may give a student credit for prior educational instruction which was provided by a postsecondary institution. To receive credit, the prior instruction must have been provided by a qualified instructor within the five-year period immediately preceding the date of the application for licensure. The maximum credit for prior instruction which may be given under this subsection is provided in subsection 4 of section 49-02-03.

4. Correspondence courses are not recognized by the board under this section.

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## 49-02-02. Required curriculum.

1. The supervised required hours of classroom instruction received by an applicant must satisfy the following curriculum requirements:

- a. At least one hundred fifty hours of anatomy and physiology.
- b. At least forty-five hours of pathology.
- c. At least ninety hours of kinesiology, including origin, insertion, action, and innervation.
- d. At least, but not more than, ten hours of first aid, hygiene, and CPR. At the time of graduation, the applicant must hold a valid current CPR card certified by a nationally recognized organization to provide CPR instruction.
- e. At least thirty hours of business practices and thirty hours of professional ethics.
- 2. Each hour of instruction may be applied to only one of the above categories.
- 3. To be counted under this section, the instruction must reflect current scientific knowledge and standards.
- 4. The number of classroom hours specified in subdivisions a through c of subsection 1 also is the maximum amount of prior education credits in each subject which may be given under section 49-02-02-02. The remaining one hundred twenty-five hours must include elements of contraindications, benefits of massage, universal precautions, body mechanics, business, history, ethics, legalities of massage, and professional standards regarding draping and modesty.
- 5. Hours of instruction for programs which measure their instruction in credit hours per semester or per quarter shall be determined as follows:
  - a. For semester credits, fifteen clock-hours of lecture equals one credit hour and thirty clock-hours of practical instruction (clinical or lab) equals one credit hour.

b. For quarter credits, ten clock-hours of lecture equals one credit hour and twenty clock-hours of practical instruction (clinical or lab) equals one credit hour.

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